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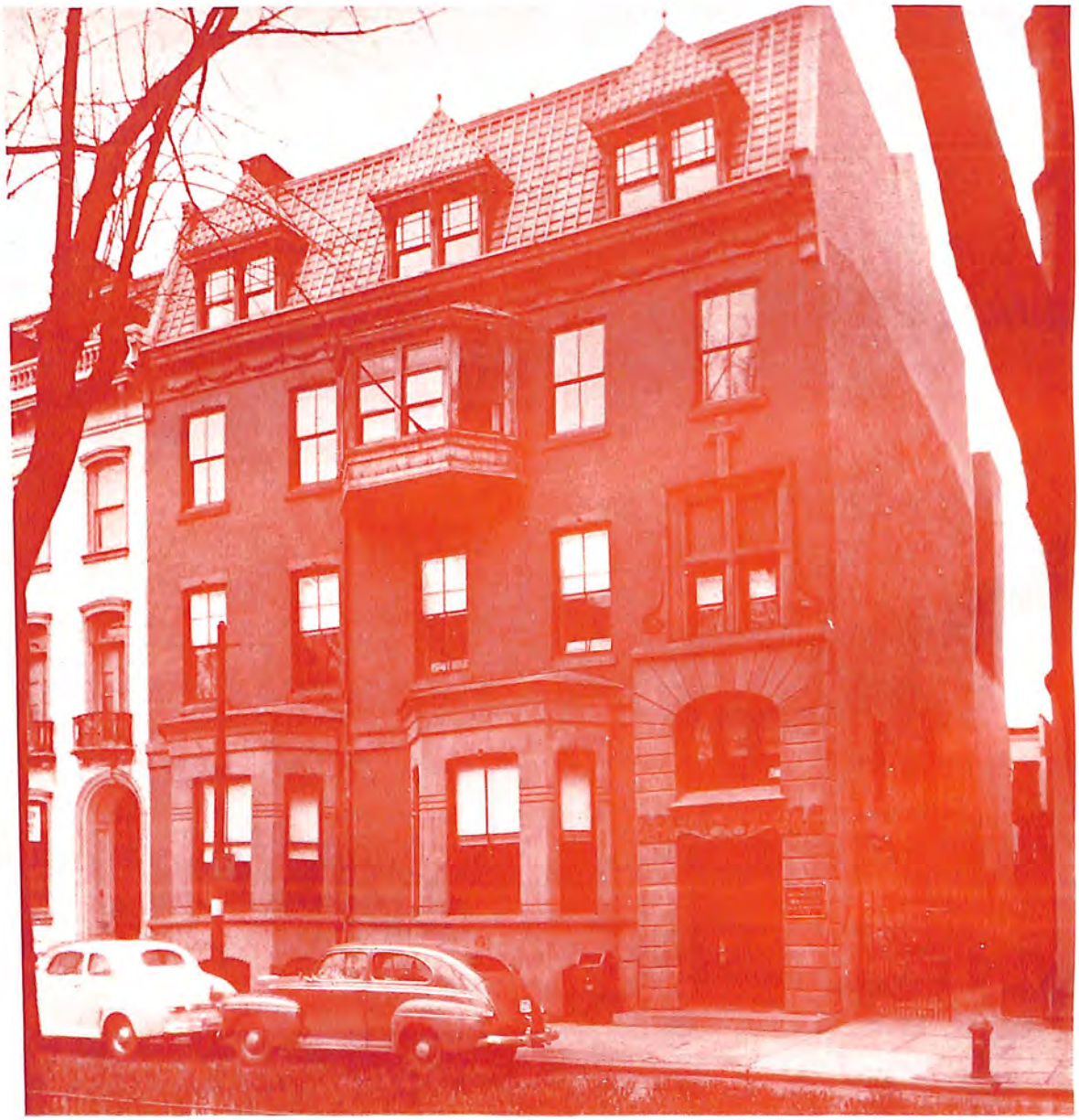

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OBJECT *1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. 2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.*

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The Plan of the Church for Evangelism

By the Rev. John K. Shryock, Ph.D.

For a number of years, the Presiding Bishop and the National Council of our Church have directed the efforts of the Church each year toward a special objective. During the coming year, this special objective will be Evangelism, and particularly, Lay Evangelism.

Evangelism is defined as the preaching or promulgation of the Gospel, and it is essential in the spread of Christ's kingdom on earth, for the knowledge and love of Christ does not come to a man out of the thin air, but must be caught by contact with another man who already knows and loves Christ in such a way that it shows in all that he says and does. The followers of our Lord possessed a visible power which impressed all who met them—so great a power that those who met them longed to possess it also, and so Christianity spread. It cannot spread effectively in any other way.

We live in a civilization which is called Christian, and which is Christian in the sense that in America no man can altogether escape the knowledge and influence of Christ. But while the message of the Gospel is still good, it is no longer news to most of us, and Christians must fight continually the tendency toward making religion a formal and routine matter of occasional observance, rather than the power to be companions and friends of Jesus in our lives.

This tendency can be seen even among the clergy, who are very busy men, much of whose time and energy must be given to what might be called the secular aspects of religion—to such activities as administrative work and the raising of money. Yet a priest and a prophet must fight continually to preserve the freshness and clarity of his vision of Christ, and must live in such a way that all men realize that he has such a vision. He can do this only by living close to Christ—by his own devotions, by keeping real to himself the meaning of the services he holds, by loving his people because they are the children of God, by bringing even to secular tasks the spirit and purpose of Jesus. He can help himself by special studies, and by going apart for occasional periods when circumstances make it possible for him to approach God unhindered by the cares and pressure of his work.

To be at least outwardly religious is expected of a priest; it is his profession. A Christian act by a layman is often more effective than the same act performed by a priest, simply because it is not expected of him. The clergy should teach their laymen, help them by their priestly functions, and inspire them with the desire for service, but it is the laymen who must be the principal agents in the expansion of Christ's kingdom. Only when it is apparent that Christian laymen possess a power that non-Christians do not have can God's will be done on earth.

This means that our laymen must have the desire—the will—to seek Christ themselves, and to make him known to others. They must know and love their Church, which is the Body of Christ, and they must find their Church so valuable that they never cease the effort to bring others to share the same power. Would a telegraph operator, receiving a message that the war had ended, have kept such knowledge to himself? Yet the message of Evangelism is far more important than the ending of any worldly war.

This is what our Church has in mind in directing that Evangelism should be the special object of our work during the coming year. Evangelism must be central in the life of the Church every year, but that this may be so, we must occasionally make special efforts in this direction. Accordingly, the National Council has presented the following plan.

In the fall, and particularly during Advent, the clergy are asked to make a special preparation for evangelistic efforts. Both general and special reading will be suggested, while conferences and retreats particularly devoted to the subject of Evangelism will be arranged. The plan cannot succeed unless the clergy not merely acquiesce, but give themselves wholly to its success in their parishes.

Early in 1948, the clergy are asked to gather a group of lay leaders in their parishes, and to prepare them for the work of Evangelism. Such preparation should include at least an elementary knowledge of the history, doctrine and methods of our Church, and of the way to visit and approach other laymen.

During Lent, 1948, there will be a lay visitation, both on those who are already on the rolls of the parish, and of those who might and should be on them, for the purpose of reviving and expanding the parish life. This is the special objective of our Church this year.

Parish Ventures in Education

A parochial school could be successfully operated in many a parish. In our Diocese we have two outstanding instances where it is being done. St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough, and All Saints' Church, Torresdale, have been very successful in providing for the education of children.

St. Timothy's Day School

Saint Timothy's Day School opened its sixth year at Saint Timothy's Church, Roxborough, Monday, September fifteenth. Begun with twenty-five children in 1942, our last year's enrollment averaged fifty children ranging from kindergarten to eighth grade. Our teachers are duly accredited by State

Churchmen in the making.

standards and offer music and folk dancing.

Tuition rates vary from eighty to one hundred and fifty dollar per year. (About half the average private school's tuition fee.) Children we have trained have usually moved ahead of their average position in public or private school. The type of teaching is individual attention but insistence on gaining a *working* knowledge of the three "R's."

Every week school begins in Church with the Holy Eucharist. Our children learn to love the worship of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. They learn to offer individual and social thanksgiving and intercessions with the Holy Sacrifice. They have the joy of seeking God's blessing for their school life, home, work, and play. Again we come to the altar for all Holy Days. The Rector visits the School almost daily for Instruction and Catechizing.

What is the business side of the School's relation to the Parish? A figure satisfactory to the teachers and the Vestry covers their donation to the Parish for light, heat, cleaning and janitor service. This sum is paid to the Accounting Warden and the carrying out of the janitor duties rests between Vestry and sexton.

Benefits to the Parish are obvious. Teaching a group of children their religion daily is certainly a great privilege and opportunity. Their religion can be regarded as important as every other daily study. New Church members and new leaders have come from the School. One feels a daily use of the Parish, for school certainly justifies the situation rather than many hours per day when the plant is not used.

Does the community need the Day School? Yes, indeed it does, because the parents have sought us rather than ourselves being forced to hunt them.

Finally, our personal opinion is that even three years training in our Day School offers a firm grasp of the worship of God in the fellowship of His Body – the Holy Catholic Church.

Superintendent: The Reverend Edmund B. Wood, Rector, Saint Timothy's Church, Roxborough. Principal: Miss Elizabeth Baskin. Primary Department: Mrs. M. Vincent.

All Saints' School

All Saints' School, at Pen Ryn, Andalusia, is a modern, progressive day school for boys and girls from kindergarten through eighth grade, and prepares pupils for entrance into the secondary school of their choice. The school building with its sunny, well-ventilated class rooms, and its auditorium, is surrounded by playing fields. There are also tennis courts and a swimming pool.

Although the establishment of the school was made possible years ago through the gift of a member of All Saints' parish, and although it is affiliated with the Church at Torresdale, it is entirely non-sectarian, and offers its facilities to Christian children of all denominations. It is staffed by capable men and women well versed in modern teaching methods.

The President of the Board of Managers is the Rector of All Saints' Church, the Rev. Percy J. Brown, and the chairman is Mr. Joseph G. Whinney. The Rector conducts opening services each morning in the auditorium of the school.

THE DIOCESAN LIBRARY

All Church people, both clerical and lay, are invited and urged to use the Church House Library. Just select the books you want and take them to the Information window where the girl on duty will make a record of them. Please return them to the same place. Do not put them back on the shelves without notifying her.

The following new books have been purchased this summer, and are now available: *"Abolition of Man,"* C. S. Lewis; *"A Century of Christian Sudent Initiative,"* C. P. Shedd; *"Does God Exist,"* A. E. Taylor; *"Gospel, Church and World,"* Kenneth Scott Latourette; *"Human Destiny,"* Lecomte du-Nouy; *"Man Against Myth,"* Barrows Dunham; *"Modern Message of the Minor Prophets,"* Raymond Calkins; *"The Psalms,"* Ronald Knox; *"Study of History,"* Arnold J. Toynbee. (Abridgement of Vols. I to VI by D. C. Somervell.)

"We Need an Adequate Conference Center," Say Both of Our Bishops

This summer I attended the opening of our Young Peoples' Conference at Beaver College. About one hundred and seventy-five young people were there. It was a thrilling and, at the same time, a depressing experience. We would have this group of potential leaders for five short days! What we could do in this diocese if we had an adequate Conference Center where we could have not just one conference but a series throughout the summer, and we could train several hundred young people! Also we could lengthen a conference to ten days if it seemed to be advisable. The young people worked hard and I was not surprised to have many of them say, "Just as we were getting into our subjects, the Conference came to an end."

Then I went on my vacation. My heart almost stopped beating when a letter came stating, "Mrs. X. has a lovely twelve room modern home, overlooking a lake, with about one hundred and fifty acres of land. Her idea is to leave this to the diocese for some worthy cause that you might suggest. She would like to talk with you as to a reasonable endowment." Then I realized that the letter was from another diocese in which I had been privileged to serve! I am glad for their good fortune but I couldn't keep from wishing it were ours. I wrote to the lady and urged her to move her home and the lake to the Diocese of Pennsylvania!

The Diocese of West Texas has a fine Conference Center which was used for seven conferences during the past summer. First they had a meeting of key laymen of the diocese. This was followed by a Boy's Work Camp; then two conferences for Young People of different age groups; then a conference on Church Music, one for Woman's Auxiliary and one for Church School Workers. During the rest of the summer the Center was available for parish and family groups. Think of the fine effect that these conferences will have on the work of that diocese. Have we the vision and the ability to do the same in the Diocese of Pennsylvania?

It is too late to make mistakes. We can go on hoping that someone in the diocese, who is able to do so, will see the glorious opportunity and give us a place or we can try to work out some other plan. Mr. Ronald J. McCarthy has been appointed by the Executive Council as Chairman of a committee to canvass the various possibilities. Suggestions should be sent to him at the Church House.

OLIVER J. HART

The future of the Church waits largely upon the faith, the firm convictions, and the spirit of youth. Youth is not so much in revolt as it is in need of guidance and direction. We cannot blame them for the uncertainties of our present world. The need in the Episcopal Church is the same for youth as it is for all the rest of us. We need personal Evangelism—the passing on of our convictions, customs, and manners from generation to generation. Young people learn very largely through contacts with their families, their schools, and the environment in which their lot is cast. "Those, who would enkindle, must themselves first glow."

We held this year at Beaver College our first all Youth Conference and it was a great success with about 200 present; however, we had to choose the time at the convenience of the college and use such equipment as they had for our needs.

Most Dioceses and Missionary Districts have places of their own which are devoted to all sorts of conferences and carry on all through the summer months.

If I should try to describe the kind of property which I myself would desire, I would put it down in these terms:

1. The location should be far enough away from the City of Philadelphia itself as to insure quiet days and nights and sufficient acreage for us to expand as the need grows.

2. A central dining hall with capacity for seating 200 to 250.

3. Small cabins or dormitories where one could get the intimacy only to be obtained in smaller groups.

4. A recreation hall suitable for large assemblies, community singing, and dancing together with class rooms to hold approximately 25 students each.

5. Playing facilities which would include a lake, swimming pool, or river; tennis courts; baseball field; and volleyball.

This would make a start and the interest developed by the project would soon enable us to secure funds to build such equipment as was needed. I cannot think of anything we could do at this particular time that would be of more value in determining the future of our beloved Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM P. REMINGTON

BISHOP HART TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

October 16 marks the fifth anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart as bishop. He has called the clergy of the diocese together to join with him in the observance of this anniversary. He will celebrate Holy Communion in the Church of the Advocate, where he was consecrated, at 10:00 A. M. After a conference, luncheon will be served for the clergy at 12:30 P. M.

FIELD DEPARTMENT CONFERENCES

The Field Department of the Diocese has arranged a series of conferences for the clergy and vestrymen to be held between September 24 and October 3, in the various sections of the Diocese. All the meetings will begin at 6:30 P. M. (supper). The Leaders will be Bishop Hart, Dr. Shreiner, Mr. Thomas B. K. Ringe, the Hon. Owen J. Roberts, Mr. Robert T. McCracken, Mr. I. Smith Raspin, and Mr. William M. West. The general theme of all the conferences will be: "What a Layman Can Do For His Church And His Bishop." The dates are as follows: Wednesday, September 24, St. Mary's Church, Ardmore; Monday, September 29, St. John's Church, Norristown; Tuesday, September 30, Epiphany Church, Germantown; Wednesday, October 1, St. Simeon's Church; Thursday, October 2, South Philadelphia; Friday, October 3, Church of the Redemption.

Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, *Editor*

President's Message

The whole Church is setting out on a great adventure, an adventure in which each one of us must have a share, for World Evangelism is our responsibility. Through its representatives every parish will have the opportunity of learning what its part is in this great plan, on Monday, October 6, at the Diocesan Program Planning Institute, details of which are given elsewhere on this page. This Institute is actually our Annual Educational Day, "growing-up" to serve a wider purpose and greater usefulness. The Committee in charge has made splendid plans but these plans will prove effective only in such measure as the women of the Diocese avail themselves of the privileges of the day. So be sure that your parish is well represented. Shall we all plan to be present for the opening Celebration of the Holy Communion? Immediately after this service the following new diocesan officers, (whom it was may great joy to appoint during the summer), will be installed:

Vice-President-at-Large—MRS. GRANVILLE TAYLOR; *Vice-President in charge of the Department of Christian Education*—MRS. VICTOR PERRIN; *Vice-President in charge of the Department of Missions*—MRS. JACOB S. DISSTON, JR., and a new office-Parliamentarian to the Diocesan Board—MRS. ALFRED M. CHAPMAN.

On October 21, 22, 23, the Synod of the Third Province will be held in Roanoke, Va. Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Trowbridge and I will have the privilege of representing the women of this diocese at the Woman's Auxiliary sessions. Let us pray for God's spirit to preside over all councils of His Church.

As Prayer and Worship are the undergirding strength of our task, shall we all plan to receive the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, October 5—World Communion Sunday?

We were all saddened this summer by the death of Mrs. Charles H. Long who had accepted an appointment of great responsibility on the Diocesan Board. But God had other plans for Evelyn Long and now we must rejoice for the joy that is hers. We are deeply thankful for the privilege of having known her and worked with her in the task to which she gave her utmost devotion as well as unusual ability.

Sincerely,
ELIZABETH C. BEATH

Prayer and Worship

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania has a Committee in charge of Prayer and Worship, not to put Prayer and Worship —the main business of Christian life and work—into a compartment, but to help all make it the warp and woof of the whole. Since true prayer and worship are basic, and everything that is Christian starts with them therefore this Committee's concern is to be prepared to assist all the organized activities with every available help in harmonizing all we think, and do and say with God's will and purpose—seeking to come more nearly into agreement with the mind of Christ as we come to "know Him and to make Him known." To quote Bishop Strider—"It is the result of Prayer and Worship that the redemption comes. God gives us the gift of Himself, in Prayer and Worship we make that gift our own. In the incarnation God gives. In Prayer and Worship man gratefully receives. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through Jesus Christ."

The Devotional Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Province of Washington (the 3rd Province in which we of the Diocese of Pennsylvania are one of the 13 Dioceses within its boundaries belong) make these suggestions—that every Diocese have a Chairman of Prayer and Worship, also each Convocation and every Parish Branch.

Fall Retreat

St. Margaret's House—5419 Germantown Ave. Monday, September 29 — Wednesday, October 1. 5:30 P. M.—9:30 A. M.

Conductor—The Rev. Philip Fifer.

Please make reservations ($6.00) promptly through Woman's Auxiliary Office, Church House, not later than September 25.

Evangelism

The Diocesan Program Institute will be held on October 6, 1947, at St. Mary's Church, Hamilton Village, 3916 Locust Street, Philadelphia. The schedule for the day is as follows:

10:30 A.M. Holy Communion — Bishop Remington, Celebrant.
11:15 A.M. Installation of Officers.
11:30 A.M. Introduction — Mrs. U. Grant Beath.
11:40 A.M. Program Planning. Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman, Executive Secretary,
12:40 P.M. Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council.
12:40 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. Luncheon—60c.
1:30 P.M. Registration—25c.
1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. Group Conferences.

Evening Branches

6:30 P.M. Dinner—$1.00. Registration 25c.
7:15 P.M. Program Planning.
8:00 P.M. Speaker: Mrs. Arthur M. Sherman.
8:00 P.M. Group Conferences.
9:00 P.M.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY OCTOBER 1.

Group Conferences

World Evangelism—Our Whole Missionary Enterprise—Mrs. U. Grant Beath.
World Evangelism—Through Prayer and Worship—Mrs. Welsh Strawbridge.
World Evangelism—Through Education—Mrs. Victor Perrin.
World Evangelism—In Action—Mrs. George Trowbridge.
World Evangelism—By Budgeting—Mrs. Frank Burton.

Speakers' Bureau

Sister Annie Horner, of Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota, will be in this Diocese from November 2 to 6, inclusive. The first woman worker of the Church Army in the United States, Sister Horner spent a year in Philadelphia before beginning her work among the Indians of South Dakota, where she has been since 1920. She is an outstanding speaker.

Engagements can be made through the Speakers' Bureau for her to visit your parish.

BOYS ENJOY PARISH HOUSE

Here is the case of a parish house that has been more or less of a liability for years; but is now being used to the utmost. A club for teen-age boys has been recently organized by Captain Hallman and Officer Potter, of the 35th Police District, and meets in the parish house of the House of Prayer, Church Lane and Limekiln Pike. Over a hundred boys attend and are given athletic training by experts. Businessmen of the district supply the funds. Not only does the congregation have adequate room for parish meetings; but in addition to this community boys' work, a recently dispossessed family has been given living quarters in the building.

Degrees and Diplomas Are Given

Dr. Long, Dr. Levis, Dr. McHenry, Bishop Hart.

At the June commencement of the Philadelphia Divinity School, honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity were conferred upon the Rev. Charles H. Long, secretary of the Diocese; the Rev. Henry Cresson McHenry, retired rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 3d & Reed Streets and formerly assistant superintendent of the City Mission; the Rev. Norman Van Pelt Levis, S.T.B., D.D., retired rector of the Church of the Incarnation, Broad & Jefferson Streets. A Doctor of Theology (in course) was conferred upon the Rev. Charles Martin Coldren, Jr., M.A., Th.M., who has been serving as Instructor in Systematic Theology at the school. Three members of the senior class received degree of Bachelor of Theology (in course): Messers. Horace Albion Ferrell, B.S., Herbert Leswing, Jr., B.A., Robert Clarence Laphew, B.A. A fourth member of the class, Mr. James William Rice, was awarded a diploma.

The General Theological Seminary, New York, conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology upon the Very Rev. Frank D. Gifford, Ph.D., Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School. Dean Gifford is an alumnus of General.

The Rev. John Craig Roak, rector of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church, received an honary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the commencement of Upsala College, East Orange, N. J., in recognition of his contribution to the knowledge of early Swedish history.

Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, conferred an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters upon Frederick James Doolittle, senior Master at the Episcopal Academy and Lay Reader at St. Paul's Church, Elkins Park. At the same time Kenyon conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Canon Law upon Mr. William Ives Rutter, who is recognized as an authority in the work of the Church Historical Society. He is also an active layman in St. Mary's Parish, 39th & Locust Streets.

The Rev. Tollie LeRoy Caution, formerly a priest of this Diocese, now on the staff of the National Council, was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the spring commencement of Lincoln University. He is a graduate of Lincoln, University of Pennsylvania, and the Philadelphia Divinity School.

Dr. Doolittle.

THE EPISCOPAL ACADEMY

The 168th year of the Episcopal Academy began with a chapel service September 17. Dr. Greville Haslam, Headmaster, addressed the students. The service was conducted by the Rev. Elbert K. St. Claire, Chaplain. The school is again filled to capacity, with a student body of 570 boys. Several days previously, the faculty, staff, and trustees gathered together in the Chapel for a service of dedication, conducted by the Chaplain.

Dr. Haslam spent the summer in England, visiting several of the schools, and attending a seminar at Oxford, sponsored by English parents as a token of their appreciation to American headmasters who accepted their boys during the "Blitz."

Fifty-five of the sixty-one members of the class of 1947 have been accepted in colleges. Two applications are pending, and four boys will do post-graduate work at other preparatory schools. This is indeed a record in a year when colleges are crowded beyond capacity.

The entire curriculum has been reviewed and strengthened in an effort to provide a strong, spiritual foundation for the student body. Several members have been added to the faculty to help the Academy train Christian leaders.

DIOCESAN REGISTER STARTED

The Bishop has appointed the Rev. Howard W. Gernand, Registrar, to the office of Custodian of the Diocesan Register, for the central registering of communicants whose whereabouts or continued existence are unknown. The Custodian is now prepared to receive transfers of such persons from ministers in charge of Parishes and Missions, under the directive of Canon XIV, Section III, Paragraph 2.

It is suggested that the clergy use ordinary letter heads in issuing transfers to the Diocesan Register or apply to Church House for printed forms and instructions. It is further suggested that the names on the list be numbered, since acknowledgment will be by number of transfers and not by individual names, in order to save time and labor.

Letters of Transfer should be addressed to the Custodian of the Diocesan Register, Church House, 202 S. 19th Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa.

WOMEN VISIT WASHINGTON

In May ninety-seven members of the Churchwoman's Club traveled by special train coaches and busses to the National Cathederal in Washington, D. C., made a tour of the buildings, and attended a service conducted by the Rev. Albert H. Lucas, Canon of the Cathederal and Headmaster of St. Alban's school for boys on the Cathederal grounds. Luncheon was served at the National Gallery of Art, and a sightseeing trip to Mt. Vernon was included. Another trip for club members was taken to St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley in June.

During the past season some of the outstanding activities of the Churchwoman's Club included a tea with music arranged by Mr. William P. Remington, pianist, and Mrs. William X. Smith, vocalist; a book parade, planned by Mrs. Harry Dickens, in which some fifty members represented characters from the books reviewed; a lecture by the Rev. Frank Williamson, "Ancient Ecclesiastical Music," illustrated with recorded transcriptions.

ST. MARGARET'S HOUSE

A quiet evening for women will be conducted at St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue, on All Saints' Day, Saturday, November 1, from 4:30 to 9 P. M. Conductor: the Rev. Harold A. Hopkins. Sister Ethelwyn Margaret requests that registration be made early. Telephone: VIctor 4-6212.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Once more, as a result of the loyalty and generosity of the clergy and laity of our Diocese, Pennsylvania has gone over its quota for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. We have received and sent forward (as of September 10) $102,271.97, which is almost $1,000 over our share for the first year of this program.

In addition to this money, our parishes and missions have collected, packed and sent many tons of material through Church World Service. There will be a detailed report on tonnage later.

We have done very well on the first leg of the job undertaken by our National Council. After October 1 all money received will be credited on our share for 1948. So you are urged to remind one another that this need continues, and that money for the Presiding Bishop's Fund will continue to be needed and that we *must* keep the flow of clothes, blankets, materials of all kinds flowing through our centers. All one needs to do is to read some of the hundreds of letters that have come from Europe to be filled with joy in the privilege of sharing in this work.

Again, thank you all; and keep up your interest and good work.

MRS. GEORGE A. TROWBRIDGE,
J. GILLESPIE ARMSTRONG,
Co-Chairmen, Diocesan Committee.

Department of Christian Education

Church School Institute

The 77th Annual Church School Institute, which will be held on Monday, October 6, at the Christian Association, 3601 Locust Street, will have as its main emphasis 'the Bible,—its place in our Church School curriculum, and visual aids that will enrich our teaching'.

The Rev. William Grime, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Great Neck, N. Y., will be the speaker at the supper meeting, and Mrs. Franklin Scheeder, nationally known consultant in Visual Aids in Christian Education, will speak on, and demonstrate the use of, visual aids in the Church School.

School of Christian Education

The Fall semester of the School of Christian Education will start on Tuesday, October 14. We are greatly privileged to have with us, as members of the faculty, Bishop Hart, the Rev. Stanley Brown-Serman, D.D., of Virginia Seminary, the Rev. Powel M. Dawley, Ph.D., of General Seminary, and Miss Cornelia Harris, Director of Religious Education at St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, as well as many from our own diocese who are well known for their outstanding contributions to the life of the Church.

Besides the general courses which are of interest to everyone, there are many special interest ones—courses planned especially for the training of our young people, for vestrymen, teachers, Woman's Auxiliaries, Altar Guilds, and those especially interested in closer home and Church cooperation. See the program for detailed information.

Christmas Gifts for Liberia and Puerto Rico

Eight hundred (800) gifts for the children of Liberia, and $50.00 (for the purchase of gifts) for the children of Puerto Rico is our pledge for this year. The $50.00 has already been subscribed, but not all the gifts have been promised—if you have not already done so—get in touch at once with our Christmas Box Secretary, Mrs. Lorin Blodget, GE 8-8117, so that you may have a share in this tangible expression of our Christian love for others.

Of Special Interest to Young People

A class in LEADERSHIP TRAINING in the School of Christian Education—Tuesday Evenings, October 14 through November 18.

"PLAN"—a new, enlarged program for parish youth groups for 1947-48, and—"ON THE KING'S HIGHWAY"—devotional book for young people, now available in Room 30, Church House.

YOUTH SUNDAY—October 19—for Episcopal Young People.

Ask your rector, or contact Room 30, SP 4-6650, 202 So. 19th Street, for further information.

GIVE OLD HAND BAGS

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CHURCH NEWS STAFF

The Rev. Albert O. Judd, Editor-in-Chief of THE CHURCH NEWS since January, 1945, has resigned that post, in order that he may be free to meet the demands of the growing work at Christ Church, Ridley Park, of which he is rector. During his term as Editor he enlarged the news content, scheduled the time of publication so that the date line on each issue is now promptly met, and contributed a series of editorials which attracted wide and favorable comment. Fortunately, he will continue to be associated with the staff.

Bishop Hart has appointed the Rev. Henry S. Paynter as Editor, in addition to his duties as Business Manager of THE CHURCH NEWS, and Director of Publicity for the Diocese. Mr. Paynter has been gathering and editing much of the news for the past two years.

The Associate Editors will be the Rev. George Copeland and the Rev. Albert O. Judd, both of whom have left their marks upon the magazine and will continue to write its editorials and give their counsel in its production. This list could be indefinitely extended, as there are many of the clergy and laity who are always helpful in contributing to our pages. We shall depend upon them for their continued assistance.

EVANGELISM PROGRAM

"The program you have just listened to is sponsored by The National Council of the Episcopal Church and is brought to you each week at this same time." Words such as this may be heard on the radio late each Sunday afternoon in the near future if a new program of promotion worked out by the National Council is accepted by the people of the Church.

The plan calls for the spending of about a million dollars a year for the making of moving pictures, building an outstanding radio program to be heard each week, and the placing of advertisements in leading magazines to present the beliefs of the Episcopal Church as they never have been presented before. It is felt that this is the modern approach to evangelism or the converting of those who have never known what our Church has to offer to a world thirsting for mental and spiritual as well as physical security.

It is a boldly conceived program that will depend for its power to operate on the money subscribed by the people. No drive will be made as there was for the Reconstruction Fund or the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. It will be entirely a matter of voluntary giving. Their hope is that each subscriber will see fit to give 3% of his annual pledge in one immediate payment at the time of the Fall Canvass. This would supply funds for employment of leading experts in each field to help build the best possible program. Some parishes and some dioceses will make this new endeavor part of their regular budget.

Opinion is mixed, however, both on how much money our people can give in addition to present commitments and whether this is really the best way to approach the problem of making new converts. Only the months ahead will show the answer to either question.

A. O. J.

A GOOD CIRCULATION

In two years THE CHURCH NEWS has doubled its circulation; but is still far from its goal. The greatest strides in building our circulation have been made in those parishes and missions which subscribe for all of their families. This is the ideal toward which we strive: "A copy of THE CHURCH NEWS each month in the home of each Church family in the Diocese of Pennsylvania." There are things in each issue that should reach all of our people. The regular practice of reading Church publications makes Churchmen more intelligent, more interested, more loyal. Clergy and parish leaders are urged to extend the privilege of first hand information to all of our people through parish subscriptions.

IS CONVOCATION THE ANSWER?

The resolutions of the Convocation of North Philadelphia suggesting changes in the convocations is another evidence of the doubt in the minds of many of the wisdom of our present method of doing missionary work in the Diocese.

When there is something out of order in an institution like the Church or the State—as there evidently is in this case—there are two tenable viewpoints to take. One, which might be called the "root and branch" view, would alter the institution itself; the other, which might be called the "change of heart" viewpoint, would try only to improve the spirit in which it is administered.

In the present situation the "root and branch" reformers say that the Convocational System is as inadequate for today as Noah's nautical instruments would be for sailing the Queen Elizabeth, and that it should be scrapped entirely. Who would have dreamed a half-century ago that there would come a day like today when a score of our once strong, white congregations in the city either lie dead on the field or are fighting a grim battle for their very existence? The cumbersome Convocational System was never designed to carry on a critical campaign and should be radically modernized.

Those who take the "change of heart" viewpoint admit that the machinery is creaking, but would not scrap it because they believe that it requires only to be oiled with new enthusiasm to work perfectly. What we really need, they say, is a "change of heart" among both clergy and laity so that we shall bring to these pressing diocesan problems such glowing enthusiasm as will of itself solve them without replacing the old machinery. There are several other "ifs" that they repeat over and over: "If the deans only had more time to give to Convocational work"; "If the boundaries were only more realistically arranged," and so on.

Whichever point of view prevails, the Executive Council should assign men who know the whole Diocese to both study conditions here and to inquire into the methods of other Diocese and Churches who have the same problems to solve.

G. C.

In the Diocese

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, *Editor*

Mrs. John C. Roak, wife of the rector of Gloria Dei Church, has been elected president of the board of Moore Institute and the Women's School of Design.

The Rev Samuel D. Ringrose, rector of the Church of the Resurrection, Mayfair, has officiated at more than 100 marriages since 1930. One Sunday in June a corporate communion was held for all who have been married in the Church.

The residence at 904 Clinton, previously used as a rectory, was sold by the vestry of St. Peter's Church, 3rd and Pine Streets.

A new Junior Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been organized at Holy Trinity Church, West Chester.

Mr. Barron Smith, organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, recently graduated from the Curtis Institute. He has been appointed to the faculty of the Westminster Choir School, Princeton. He will continue his duties at the Church of the Redeemer.

The Rev. Robert P. Varley, assistant at St. Paul's Church, Chester, and Miss Beverly Donna were married at Christ Church, La Crosse, Wisconsin on June 9.

Miss Dorothy Henderson Guenther, daughter of the Rev. J. Jarden Guenther, upon graduation from the University of Pennsylvania in June, was awarded an exchange fellowship at the University of Upsala, Sweden, where she is now in residence.

The Rev. John Wesley Rennie, Vicar, Church of the Advocate, Kennett Square, was one of the leading actors in a costumed pageant, "Arabian Nights," produced this summer at Longwood Gardens by the American Legion.

Mrs. Alfred R. Bechtel, after eighteen years of service as organist at St. Alban's Church, Roxborough, has resigned.

The Rev. Christopher J. Atkinson, St. James' Church, Downingtown, and the Rev. Albert E. Wilcox, St. Mark's Church, Honeybrook, attended the summer conference of rural pastors at State College.

Mr. George M. Curran, Jr., a member of the parish, has become sexton of St. Thomas Church, Whitemarsh, succeeding Mr. Kee, retired, who had served in that capacity for twenty-four years. Members of the parish presented Mr. Kee with a purse of over $800 and the Daughters of the King gave him a radio receiving set upon his retirement.

The Rev. Paul M. Washington and Miss Christine F. Jackson were married at the Church of the Crucifixion on August 23.

A three-day community art exhibit was held in August in the Parish House of the Holy Trinity, Lansdale, in connection with the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the borough.

The Rev. Francis W. Voelcker, of St. Mark's Church, 16th & Locust Streets, has been appointed correspondent for *The Living Church*, for the Diocese of Pennsylvania. His telephone number is Pennypacker 5-5195.

Miss Florence Davies has resigned as the Executive Director of the Burd School, and has been succeeded by Mrs. Sarah R. Dodge.

Choir quarters at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, have recently been enlarged and renovated. A vanity table has been provided for the essential last minute placing of the choir cap.

The Ladies of St. John's Church, Compass, have conducted refreshment stands at several auction sales around the country. With the money made they expect to purchase a carpet for the church.

The house located at 1905 W. Front Street, Chester, has been acquired by St. Mary's Mission, Chester, and is now occupied by the vicar, the Rev. Louis W. Johnson.

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ACTIVITIES AT ORELAND

St. Philip-in-the-Field, Oreland, located in the heart of a rapidly developing community, consisting largely of young parents, is ministering to 175 adults and children. Something of the tremendous enthusiasm and initiative is reflected in the events reported:

Bishop Hart held the first service on Christmas Day, 1946, with 75 persons present. On January 5, 1947, the Rev. Joseph Tatnall held his first service as Vicar. On February 23 an afternoon Baptismal service was held, when 15 children were baptised. 112 persons were in the

St. Philip-in-the-Field.

congregation, and were entertained at a reception in the Parish House following the service. On Palm Sunday 120 attended the service when a memorial processional cross and altar lights were dedicated. 130 attended on Easter Day, when memorial eucharistic lights were dedicated.

On St. Philip's Day, Thursday, May 1, the men of the mission served a grill supper. At 8 P. M. on the same day Bishop Hart confirmed 16 adults and 2 young people, and received 5 adults. Following the service on May 11, a Rogation Day planting of 2 trees and 10 shrubs on the church property.

The Convocation of Norristown met at this mission on May 22, when Bishop Remington celebrated Holy Communion, assisted by Dean Niblo, the Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, and the Vicar. The Women's Auxiliary of the Mission served luncheon to 150 delegates. On July 15 a "Smorgasboard" supper was served to 550 persons.

This Mission is much in need of a piano. The Vicar will appreciate being informed if one is available. Address the Rev. Joseph Tatnall, Oreland, Pa. Telephone: Whitemarsh 8-1636.

THE CLERICAL BROTHERHOOD

A Monday morning meeting for all the clergy of the Diocese is conducted at the Church House at 11:30 A. M. Early programs this fall include: September 15, "History of Clerical Brotherhood," Rev. J. Wesley Twelves; September 22, "Parish Administration," Rev. George E. Boswell; September 29, Book Review—"Men Against Myth," the Rev. Ralph E. Coonrad and the Rev. George B. Krantz; October 6, "The Bishop's Meeting," the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart; October 13, "Labor and Management"; Oct. 20, "Obstacles to Baptism in the Mission Field," the Rev. Raymond A. Gill; October 27, Book Review—"Human Destiny," the Rev. Charles M. Coldren.

PATIENTS HELPED BY YOUTH

Mr. Calvin Baker, president of the Northeast Convocation Y. P. F. gives the following description of a fine task being well done by some of the young people at our hospital:

Youth groups from many parishes of the Northeast Convocation in Philadelphia are represented at the Episcopal Hospital by volunteer workers who appear *every* Sunday morning and on Tuesday evenings during the Lenten season. Each person who has thus offered his services has played a vital part in the work of the Hospital's Chapel Corps.

The duties of the Corps are simple, and the effect that their performance has on the spiritual well-being of the patients concerned is very gratifying. Directly preceding each service those Corps members present, as rostered for that day, "wheel" a large number of bed and wheelchair patients into the Chapel. The patients are placed so that Communion may be conveniently received, and are provided with prayer books and hymnals. Beds and chairs are brought from all corners and floors of the building and often-times present transportation difficulties which, thus far, have been successfully overcome. Upon conclustion of the service each patient is returned to his respective ward.

Until the Chapel Corps was organized, many patients had to be content to remain in their wards, dependent upon a book of worship for their Church service. Now, it is possible for all of those, well enough to ride, to join in the service and partake of the Holy Communion.

ANNIVERSARIES

The 75th anniversary of St. Stephen's Church, Clifton Heights, was observed early in May. The Rector, Rev. George W. Barnes, at the same time celebrated the 45th anniversary of his ordination. Bishop Remington participated in the festivities. The work in this community was developed at first from St. George's Church, 61st and Hazel Avenue, and began in a school house. The present church was built in 1878. Since the founding of St. Stephen's, other nearby Delaware County communities where churches have been established include Morton, Lansdowne, Collingdale, Norwood, Prospect Park, Highland Park, Stonehurst, Springfield, Swarthmore, Drexel Hill, Yeadon, Darby, Aronimink.

St. James' Church, Langhorne, celebrated its 50th anniversary in May. At the meeting of the Diocesan Convention approval was given for St. James to change its status from mission to parish. The rector, the Rev. N. Herbert Caley, is Dean of the Convocation of Germantown.

St. Luke's Church, Newtown, marked its 111th anniversary, May 18th. The Rector, Rev. Edmund Sill, recalled how Bishop Onderdonk came out from Philadelphia to consecrate the church on the Sunday after Ascension in 1836, although it had been built in 1833. At the time of the anniversary the vestry, at a special meeting, passed a resolution extending felicitations to the Rev. William Chauncey Emhart upon the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination. Dr. Emhart had been rector of St. Luke's Church from 1907 to 1920. He is now retired.

St. Barnabas Church, Haddington.

Christ Church, Media, celebrated its 90th anniversary on Trinity Sunday. This parish has had fifteen rectors in ninety years. The present rector is the Rev. William J. Alberts, who came to the parish in 1941. Deaconess Celia Elizabeth Brown, who joined the staff of the parish last fall, conducts a daily Nursery School in the Parish House.

St. Barnabas Church (Haddington) marked its 75th anniversary in June. Bishop Hart preached the anniversary sermon on Sunday, June 8th. A parish dinner was held on the evening of St. Barnabas Day, June 11th. Former rectors who came back for the occasion included the Rev. Joseph Manuel and the Rev. Henry S. Paynter. The Rev. Charles H. Urban, still serving as Chaplain in the Army, was unable to attend. The Rev. Walter C. Klein, also a former rector, is American Chaplain on the staff of the Bishop of Jerusalem. The Rev. William Oliver Bellis is the present rector.

St. Barnabas Church, Germantown, observed its 43d anniversary during the week which included St. Barnabas Day. Speakers included Bishop Edward Thomas Demby, retired, and Bishop Hart. The people contributed $1,500 and Bishop Hart presented $1,500 from the diocese, which cancelled a mortgage on the Parish House which had been carried since 1923. At the same time the rector, the Rev. E. Sydnor Thomas, celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination. His entire ministry has been spent at St. Barnabas Church.

At Christ Church (Upper Merion) Bridgeport, the 187th anniversary was the occasion for the dedication of the seventeenth in a series of stained glass memorial windows which have been placed within the last few years. The rector, Rev. James Hart Lamb, Jr., conducted the service on June 22nd. The window was placed in the choir room. It deals with the Venite, the Magnificat, and the Nunc Dimittis.

Two services marking the 301st anniversary of Gloria Dei Church were held on June 15th. Mr. Branton H. Henderson, governor of the Swedish Colonial Society, spoke at 11 a.m., and the Rev. Croswell McBee delivered the sermon. Dr. Marshall W. S. Swan, curator of the American Swedish Historical Museum, made the principal address at 2.20 p.m.

NATIONAL G. F. S. WEEK

October 28 to November 3 is G. F. S. Week, when all branches and members are asked to support the national work of the Society. Each branch will have some form of entertainment and publicity to make the work of the G. F. S. stronger in each parish.

October is a busy month for women's organizations in Province III. We will meet in Roanoke for the Provincial Synod (Oct. 21-23), and each organized diocese of the G. F. S. will send representatives. Among the leaders will be the Rev. Paul Thompson, rector of Christ Church, Reading, who will discuss "Youth Work in the Province."

WASHINGTON CATHOLIC CONGRESS

Rev. Albert J. duBois, Chairman for the Washington Catholic Congress of the American Church Union, has announced the program and leadership for the 1947 Catholic Congress in Washington, D. C., on October 8-9, 1947. The preacher will be: The Rt. Rev. Harold E. Sawyer, Bishop of Erie, and The Rt. Rev. Robert Campbell, O.H.C., will preside at the Solemn Mass. Mr. Spencer Ervin will preside at the opening session of the Congress and the Hon. William R. Castle will be the toastmaster at the Congress Dinner.

CLERICAL CHANGES

The Rev. Robert B. Cope, formerly assistant at Trinity Church, Aurora, Illinois, is now assistant at St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

The Rev. Herbert R. Bell, a clergyman of the Church in Canada, is now assistant at the Church of St. James-the-Less.

The Rev. John C. R. Peterson, formerly in charge of St. James' Church, Goshen, Indiana, is now assistant at St. Alban's Church, Olney.

The Rev. Robert H. Schuman, formerly assistant at St. Clement's Church, became Rector of Holy Trinity Church, South River, N. J., on June 1st.

The Rev. Harry Ralph Morgan, formerly curate at St. Clement's Church, has become assistant to the rector of the Church of St. Matthias, Los Angeles, California.

The Rev. Peter M. Sturtevant, formerly associate rector of Christ Church, is now rector of St. Mary's Church, Haddon Heights, N. J.

The Rev. Arthur H. Laedlein, formerly assistant at St. Mark's Church, Frankford, is now rector of Zion Church, Morris, N. Y., diocese of Albany.

The Rev. A. Lester M. Worthey, formerly rector of Christ Church, Bridgeport, Conn., is now rector of All Saints' Church, 11th and Snyder Avenue. Born in Florida, he was graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School in 1929. His ministry was spent in the Diocese of Erie until he went to Connecticut in 1937. His address is 1327 Wolf Street.

The Rev. Theodore J. Schneider, formerly rector of Trinity Church, Ambler, is now rector of St. Andrew's Church, Emporia, Kansas.

The Rev. Elmore C. Young, formerly rector of Grace Church, Saybrook, Conn., has become rector of the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli.

The Rev. Charles A. Elliott has resigned as rector of the Church of the Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, to accept work in the Diocese of Texas.

The Rev. Leonard B. Rasmusson, rector of the Church of the Atonement, is also chaplain of Christ Church Hospital.

CHINESE OFFICERS CONFIRMED

On Sunday, July 6, at the Memorial Church of the Advocate, the Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather presented six officers of the Chinese Army to the Rt. Rev. M. Keh-Tsung Mao, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Kiangsu, China, for confirmation. The service was conducted in the Chinese language from the Chinese Prayer Book. Even the hymns were Chinese translations, and Bishop Mao preached in both English and Chinese. The officers were stationed in Philadelphia to study law enforcement methods, and had been under instruction in the Christian religion for about six months. One of the candidates had been baptised in China; but the others were not Christians until they had been instructed and baptised here. One had been baptised at the Church of St. Stephen and the Incarnation, Washington, D. C. The others had been baptised at the Church of the Advocate.

HOLIDAY HOUSE CONFERENCE

Sixty-five of the clergy met with Bishop Hart for a conference on "Evangelism," at Holiday House, Sellersville, early in September. A plan for a house-to-house visitation to bring people to church, with the ultimate purpose of a permanent organization to carry on this work in the parish was discussed. Parochial Missions, thoroughly prepared for and conducted by competent leaders selected by the rector or vicar might be used to advantage. Bishop Hart was asked to suggest a series of sermon topics suitable for preaching by the local clergy in connection with the nation-wide effort. The men who remained for the full retreat were greatly benefitted by a series of meditations by the Rev. Francis W. G. Parker, O.H.C. Bishop Hart was the celebrant at the daily service of Holy Communion. Other services, including Morning and Evening Prayer, Noonday Intercessions, and Compline, were read by various clergy assigned to these duties.

Damage to Church Properties

The interior of Trinity Church, Buckingham, Bucks County, was damaged by fire in May, closing the church for the summer. Services were held in the near-by Grange Hall. Fortunately, the fire was confined to the floor in the center of the building; but smoke discolored all the windows and blistered all the paint on pews and other wood-work.

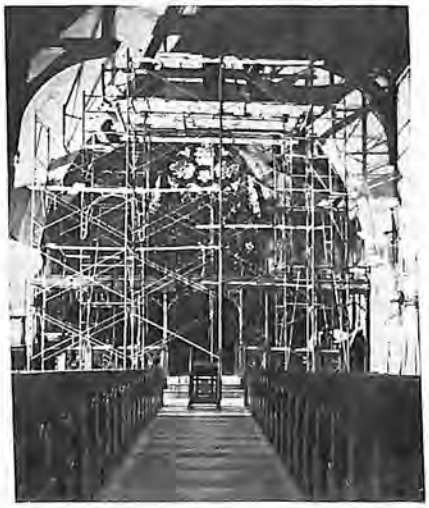
Trinity Church, Buckingham.

A recently acquired electric organ was badly damaged by smoke, heat and water. Men had been working in the church, preparing choir and sanctuary for a tile floor. When they returned in the morning they found the building filled with smoke. Firemen were called and the smoldering fire was extinguished. Damages to building and furnishings amount to several thousand dollars, covered by insurance.

Christ Church, Eddington, also in Bucks County, was closed early in the spring. Its furnishings were moved into the parish house, where services are now being held. In making a survey of the church in contemplation of some repairs, the building was found to be structurally unsafe for services of worship. The church, over 100 years old, is of stone construction.

A vacant cottage on the grounds of All Saints' Hospital, Chestnut Hill, conducted by the City Mission for the treatment of tuberculosis, was swept by fire on June 4. Smoke seeped through a connecting corridor into the hospital's main wards. Fortunately, most of the patients were outside attending a lawn fete. Those still in the buildings were wheeled into the chapel, away from the smoke. The building, known as the Albert Lucas Cottage, was partly destroyed and is being restored. The loss was covered by insurance.

St. Simeon's Church, 9th Street and Lehigh Avenue, also had to be closed to services early in the summer, while the people worshipped in the chapel in the parish house. The arch over the entrance to the chancel was found to be in such a weakened condition that it was considered unsafe to continue the use of the building until necessary repairs could be made.



Repair work at St. Simeon's.

HOUSE OF REST INFIRMARY

Up to 1939, The House of Rest for the Aged had no adequately equipped infirmary. When Mrs. Mahlon N. Kline died that year, her son, C. Mahlon Kline, wishing to build a Memorial in her name, selected the House of Rest because Mrs. Kline had been an active member of the Woman's Board of Managers, almost since its beginning—having been its treasurer for forty years. Her son decided to build and equip a wing known as the "Isadore E. Kline Memorial Wing." This wing consists of an Infirmary Room, a nurses' room, diet kitchen, baths, and five single rooms for residents who need special care. There is also a sun porch. It is a beautiful way to keep a mother's memory green. When this wing was built all on one floor, plans were drawn for a second story, consisting of six more bed rooms and bath. This second story could be built at comparatively little cost. Mrs. Kline's daughter, Mrs. T. Carrick Jordan, a former President of the Board of Managers, her garnddaughter, Mrs. Sydney L. Lea, a former Secretary of the Board, continue their active interest, even bringing the three great grandsons to visit the House Members. Won't you visit the House Family on Donation Day, Wednesday, November 12? Tea will be served from 2:00 until 5:00 o'clock at which our Bishops will be guests of honor.

Infirmary ministration.

GIFTS AND BEQUESTS

An offering amounting to $532.72, received at the Monday evening mass meeting of Diocesan Convention, was given for Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn. The property is to be used as a conference center and residence for the Presiding Bishop.

On Trinity Sunday at Emmanuel Church, Quakertown, there were dedicated new green stole, book-markers, and altar frontal, given to the Church by Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harbers.

Miss Jean Marion Wire, who died in April, left bequests to the House of St. Michael and All Angels, the Churchwoman's Club, and the Memorial Church of St. Paul, Overbrook.

Mr. William H. Hutt, who died May 5th, left $5,000 to the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr.

A bronze honor roll, bearing the names of sixty men and women from the parish who served in World War II, was dedicated at the Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, on May 11th.

A set of Carillonic Bells in memory of the Rev. Granville Taylor, former rector, were dedicated by Bishop Hart at the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator on May 18th.

Miss Lillie S. Getchell, who died April 12th, left $3,000 to St. Mark's Church, 16th & Locust Streets.

Candle sticks for the altar of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, were dedicated on Whitsunday in memory of Frank S. Staley, Louisa S. Staley, and Levi S. Staley.

The House of St. Michael and All Angels, for crippled colored children, recently received $27,000 from the estate of the late Marian A. Blakiston.

Miss Emily Vaux has given a brass cross and candle sticks and velvet hangings for the altar in the Assembly Hall of the Parish House of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, where the Sunday morning worship services of the Church School are held.

St. John's Church, Cynwyd, was the recipient of a $10,000 gift from the estate of Thomas Fisher, a former vestryman, who died in 1944.

A new set of red Eucharistic vestments, a thank-offering from a number of members of the parish, were used for the first time on Whitsunday at St. John's Church, Norristown.

A violet funeral pall has been given to the Church of the Advocate in loving memory of the late Mrs. Miltom E. Ulmer.

An Episcopal Church Flag has been presented to the Chapel of the Prince of Peace by Mrs. R. Evans.

A silver patten has been presented to Trinity Church, Swarthmore, in memory of Molly Meyhew Jeffords.

Mr. Lewis Whitby presented a new flag pole for the property of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, in loving memory of his mother. A service of dedication was held on the Sunday nearest to Flag Day.

Mrs. William Strong has given a sum of money to provide merit awards for choir boys at St. John's Church, Norristown.

The following gifts were recently dedicated at St. James' Church, Kingsessing.

New Deans in Two Convocations

New Deans were elected in two Convocations at the spring meetings. In North Philadelphia, the Rev. Arthur Murray, rector of the Church of the Resurrection, was elected to succeed the Rev. John K. Shryock, who had served for more than five years. In West Philadelphia, the Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, was elected to succeed the Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden, who had served for more than four years. The Rev. William T. Warren, of Morrisville, was elected Secretary of the Convocation of Germantown. Mrs. James Mills, of Zion Church, Logan, was elected president of the Women's Auxiliary of Germantown.

The Convocation of North Philadelphia approved resolutions offered by its Executive Committee recommending that the number of Convocations in the Diocese be reduced, and include one Convocation comprising the central-city parishes; that the purposes of Convocations and the duties of Deans be more specifically defined; that missions and aided parishes be given a limited time in which to improve their status; that steps be taken to form a Sunday School Association within the Convocation. These resolutions were communicated to the other Convocations for their information, and presented to the Executive Council of the Diocese, where they were referred to various departments for consideration.

St. Philip's-in-the-Field, Oreland, the newest mission of the Convocation of Norristown, was host to the spring meeting of that Convocation. Chester received a detailed report on the raising of about $40,000 for St. Peter's Church, Broomall. Chester's next project is the erection of a church for Ascension Mission, West Chester. The Rev. Robert D. Morris, Chaplain at the Episcopal Hospital, was the principal speaker at the meeting of the Convocation of South Philadelphia.

The fall meetings of the Convocations will be as follows: Oct. 14, North Philadelphia, Church of the Resurrection; Oct. 21, Germantown, St. David's Church, Manayunk; Oct. 23, South Philadelphia, Church of St. John the Evangelist; Oct. 23, West Philadelphia; Oct. 23, Norristown; Oct. 23, Chester (Women), Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr; Oct. 28, Chester (Men), Christ Church, Ridley Park.

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Book News

THE CLAIMS OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND by Cyril Garbett, ($5.00) has just been received from England. This is a new book and we are certain there will be a good demand for copies. It is not a history, it is not a textbook, it is not a program of Church reform, it is not a book of reminiscences, yet it contains a little of each of these. It is an account in broad outline of the nature, the work and the claims of the Church of England. There are thirteen chapters and three hundred and four pages.

RELIGION IN THE ENGLAND OF TOMORROW by Sidney Dark. ($3.00) is another importation we are quite proud to have available at this time. Mr. Dark has chosen for his discourse such timely topics as *The Need of Religion, What Is This Freedom, The New Kind of Man, Protestantism and Progress, Catholic Humanism, Why Not Rome? The Parish Church.* One of the author's main contentions is that Protestantism is alien to the spirit of the English people, that it was thrust upon them, and that in so far as they ceased to be Catholic the bulk of the English people became and have remained irreligious.

CATHOLICITY A Study in the Conflict of Christian Traditions in the West by Dom Gregory Dix and thirteen other Anglican writers, with a Foreword by the Archbishop of Canterbury is available, (85 cents). Contents: The Primitive Unity, The Background of the Western Schisms, Orthodox Protestantism, Renaissance and Liberalism, The Post-Tridentine Papal Communion, Fragmentation and Synthesis, The Anglican Communion.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH CHURCH by Gordon Crosse, ($1.20) covers the early English Church, Church and State in the Middle Ages, The Reformation, Puritan Assault, Recovery, Methodists and Evangelicals, The Catholic Revival and The Church in Modern Times.

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During commencement exercises at the Church Farm School a bronze tablet was dedicated to the memory of former students who gave their lives in the armed forces. The tablet, gift of Mr. and Mrs. Howard McComb, bears the following names: George Albert Scheuerlein, John Edward Dwyer, John Simpson Irwin, Eugene Churchill and Karl Edward Dann.

Mrs. Ida May Grace Levy, who died June 15th, left $200 to the flower fund of St. Mark's Church, 16th and Locust Streets.

Edwin I. Hyneman, who died August 3, 1946, left $20,000 to the Episcopal Academy.

All Souls' Church for the Deaf, 3226 N. 16th Street, was recently given two projectors and a collection of several thousand colored slides by Mr. William H. Luden, Sr., of Reading, Pa.

The sum of $6,519 in the estate of the late Anna Ulrick Keech has been awarded in equal shares to the Church of the Resurrection and the Memorial Hospital, Roxborough.

The late Mrs. Nettie P. Cobden included the Episcopal Hospital as one of the beneficiaries under her will. She also designated specific bequests of $500 to the Church of the Resurrection, and a like sum to the rector, the Rev. Arthur Murray.

The late Miss Carrie May Nelson left a legacy of $500 to the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, 51st & Spruce Streets.

At Trinity Church, Buckingham, a private communion set was presented in memory of the late Rev. T. Leslie Gossling, former rector. A new bell has been placed in the belfry, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Sterling, in memory of their son, lost at sea in the recent world war. A new tile floor has been laid in choir and sanctuary. Metal railings are to be placed at sides of steps leading to the church—the gift of the Young People's Society.

BOOKLETS ON THE MINISTRY

The Diocesan Commission on Recruiting for the Ministry has placed in the Church House several booklets which present various aspects of the Church's Ministry that should be of help to young men who are seeking to decide the vital question of vocation. As the titles would indicate, some of these booklets are intended primarily for former service men, others are general in their application, while one presents the problems and opportunities of a city parish.

The titles of these booklets are as follows:

"This Christian Ministry," "A Letter to Service Men on the Christian Ministry." These two published by The Church Society for College Work. "The Veteran in Your Parish," "The Ministry and You," "Man's Highest Calling." These three published by The National Council. "The City Pastor," written by The Rev. Elmore M. McKee, former rector of St. George's Church, New York City, and published by Union Theological Seminary.

Any of the clergy of the Diocese who wish to use this valuable material, which is for free distribution, can obtain it from the Rev. Charles H. Long in the Church House.

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ORDINATIONS

A service of ordination was conducted by Bishop Remington at the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator on June 14th, when two men were made Deacons. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Robert D. Morris. Mr. James William Rice, presented by the Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, to be assistant at St. Paul's Church, Glen Loch. Mr. Francis Ward Voelcker, presented by the Rev. William H. Dunphey, to be assistant at St. Mark's Church.

On June 30th at All Hallows Church, Wyncote, the Rev. Gary Kilmer Price, Assistant at St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, was advanced to the Priesthood by Bishop Remington. He was presented by the Rev. Joseph Gillespie Armstrong. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas Norman Mason.

At the Church of the Crucifixion, 8th & Bainbridge Streets, on July 1st, Bishop Remington advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Paul Matthews Washington, assistant at that Church. He was presented by the Rev. Robert Henry Tabb. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Matthew Wesley Davis.

On July 25th, at St. Andrew's Church, West Philadelphia, the Rt. Rev. William R. Moody, Bishop of Lexington, Ky., acting for the Bishop of Pennsylvania, advanced three Deacons to the Pristhood: the Rev. Walter M. Householter, St. Andrew's Church; the Rev. Herbert Leswing, Chapel of the Redeemer, Andalusia; the Rev. Robert P. Varley, assistant, St. Paul's Church, Chester.

YOUTH RALLY

Under the auspices of The Servants of Christ the King, a youth rally will be held at St. George's Church, 61st St. and Hazel Ave., on Saturday, October 26th, beginning at 4 p.m. Among the leaders will be the Rev. Frank Damrosch, Jr., the Rev. Louis A. Haselmayer, and Mr. William Brack, Chairman of the Diocesan Youth Council. Those who wish to attend should notify the Rev. William I. Edwards, Rector of St. George's.

IN GOD'S KEEPING

The Rev. Henry Laird Phillips, who last March celebrated his 100th birthday, died on May 27th. Bishop Hart officiated at his funeral on May 31st at the Church of the Crucifixion, 8th and Bainbridge Streets, where he had served a long rectorship. Interment was in Marion cemetery. Born in Jamaica, he graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School in 1872, and spent his entire ministry in this diocese. He organized the League for Work Among Colored, uniting the several parishes and missions ministering to his people. The post of Arch Deacon was created for him in 1912. In this office he organized several new missions and strengthened others. He was the founder of Mercy Hospital and the Convalescent Home for Negroes.

Archdeacon Phillips lived to be 100 years old.

The Rev. Henry Jeremiah Pulver, Vicar-in-charge of All Soul's Mission for the deaf, 3226 N. 16th Street, died in the Episcopal Hospital on June 28th. Burial service was held in the Church on July 1st, with Bishop Remington officiating. He was born in Saratoga Springs, N. Y. in 1895, studied at the Philadelphia Divinity School and Virginia Theological Seminary, and was ordained by Bishop Garland in 1921. He devoted his entire ministry to work among the deaf, having served in the various dioceses in the states of Virginia and Pennsylvania, before coming to All Souls. In recent years his work has extended into New Jersey and Delaware. He was president of the Conference of Church Workers among the Deaf—organized for the advancement of the deaf in all matters religious, educational, and social, and to promote the training of men for work in these fields.

The Rev. John P. Bagley, a retired priest of the diocese, died on May 6th, at the home of his son in Upper Darby. He was 88 years of age. His early ministry was spent in Frankford and Kensington. The last twenty years of his active service he was Rector of Calvary Church, Rockdale, retiring fifteen years ago. Burial service was conducted May 8th in St. Mark's Church, Frankford, by Bishop Hart and Bishop McClelland, of Easton. Dr. Huggins conducted the interment at Ivy Hill Cemetery.

Miss Amy Hartshorne, who died on May 5th, was buried from the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, on May 7th, with interment in the Church yard. Miss Hartshorne was the sister of the Rev. Francis C. Hartshorne, and was long active in the life of the parish at Bryn Mawr.

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of the Diocese, died on July 10th at the Episcopal Hospital. She had been stricken with illness at her summer home at Cape May Point, N. J., and brought to the hospital for treatment. She had been an active worker in the Woman's Auiliary of the Diocese for many years. Burial survices were conducted at Zion Church by the Rt. Rev. William McClelland, of Easton, Maryland, assisted by the Rev. James Mills and the Rev. Charles E. Eder on July 14th. Besides her husband, Mrs. Long is survived by a son, the Rev. Charles H. Long, Jr., a missionary in China; a daughter, Miss Margaret E. Long; two brothers: Roy M. Boyd and Paul C. Boyd; a sister: Mrs. Robert Brown.

The Rt. Rev. Frank DuMoulin, formerly Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, and sometime Rector of the Church of the Saviour, West Philadelphia, died in Coburg, Canada on July 10th, and was buried from St. Peter's Church, Coburg, on July 12th.

Mr. John O. Platt, who served as Vestryman at St. James' Church, Philadelphia and at the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli, died on July 11th and was buried from the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, on July 14th.

Mr. John P. Noll, long active in St. James' Church, Downingtown, as vestryman, accounting warden, and sunday school superintendent, died on July 29th and was buried from St. James' Church on August 1st.

Mr, Lee Sowden, a vestryman of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, died on July 28th, and was buried from that Church July 31st.

Mrs. Helen Mar (Tolen) Tatnall, wife of the Rev. Joseph Tatnall, Vicar of St. Philip-in-the-Field, Oreland, died on July 24th. A memorial Communion service was held in the Church at Oreland on Sunday, July 27th. Interment was in the church yard of St. James' Church, Stanton, Del.

Mr. Richard Haughton, a vestryman of St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley, died on August 30th, and was buried from the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, on September 3d. His father, the late Rev. James Haughton, was for many years rector of this church.

Mr. Forrest Smith, for many years Senior Warden of Christ Church, Eddington, died on August 3d, and was buried at Beechwood Cemetery, Hulmeville, on August 6th.

Miss Mary A. L. Neilson died at her home in Germantown on May 1st and was buried from St. Luke's Church, Germantown, on May 3d, She was for fifteen years national president of the Girls' Friendly Society, having previously served as Diocesan President for Pennsylvania. She had also been active in the Diocesan Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Female Prayer Book Society. She was honorary president of the Prayer Book Society at the time of her death. At its May meeting this society adopted a resolution to express its sense of loss and regret in her death.

Mrs. Robert E. Scherr, a member of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, died on June 18th and was buried in the church yard of St. James' Church, Kingsessing, on June 21st. She had been long time chairman of the Church Periodical Club of the parish, and helped to minister to the sick and "shut-in" in hospitals and in their homes.

Mrs. Winfred Munroe Matthews, a member of the Board of Managers of the Church Farm School, died on June 6th, and was buried from St. Paul's Church, Glenloch on June 9th.

Mrs. Alice White Cramp, a member of the Board of Managers of the Seamen's Church Institute, died on June 22nd and was buried from the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, on June 24th.

Retired Deaconess Helen S. Brookman, a graduate of the Church Training School, died in Berkeley, California, April 5th, at the age of 78, and was buried from St. Mark's Church, Berkeley. For over thirty years she was on the staff of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Philadelphia.

Mr. Arthur G. Bryan, organist and choirmaster of Calvary Church, Germantown, died on June 30th and was buried from the Church on July 5th.

Mrs. Ivy D. Howell, wife of the Rev. John A, Howell, a retired priest of the Diocese, died in the Episcopal Hospital on July 1st and was buried from St. Mary's Church July 5th. Interment was at Tarrytown, N. Y.

TEACHER GOES TO ALASKA

Miss Anna E. King, teacher in a public school in Philadelphia, has gone to Alaska as a missionary worker among children. She has accepted appointment by the National Council for a term of one year. Miss King is a devoted Church woman who has divided her interest between the House of Prayer, Branchtown, and Trinity Church, Buckingham. Farewell receptions were tendered to her in both of these parishes.

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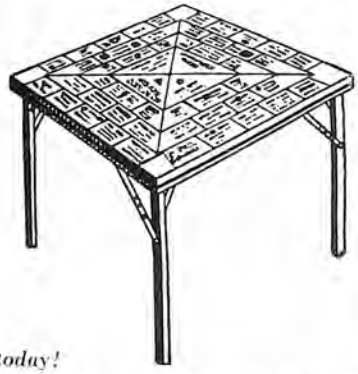
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IN THE DIOCESE

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Mr. Thomas B. K. Ringe has been appointed as a member of the National Council of the Church, succeeding Mr. Charles P. Taft, resigned. Mr. Ringe has long been active in the work of this Diocese.

At the Diocesan Convention delegates from two parishes were men who had been presented in a confirmation class in a small mission in 1934. The mission has since been closed; but these men have become attached to near-by parishes and are evidently deeply interested.

At St. George's Church, West Philadelphia, on Whitsunday, a choral eucharist is sung at 9 A. M. This is the only service of the day and is a corporate communion for the entire parish, followed by breakfast in the parish house.

The Rev. Ralph Edward Coonrad, Vicar of the Church of St. John the Baptist, Germantown, is the author of "Why Revive Study of Canon Law in Anglican Church?" which appeared in a recent issue of *The New Start*, published by the American Church Union.

The Rev. Alfred W. Price, rector of St. Stephen's Church submitted a sermon, "Hasten The Day," in a contest conducted by *The Churchman* to foster good will and understanding. Former Supreme Court Justice Owen J. Roberts read the sermon in a Sunday broadcast on the first Sunday in May.

The Rev. Christopher Atkinson, rector of St. James' Church, Downingtown, recently gave a description of the Church Army at a meeting of the Downingtown Lions' Club.

The old hitching sheds at St. John's Compass, a relic of horse and buggy days, were recently sold for the lumber they contained.

Miss Elizabeth Tyson Rudderow was married to Mr. Lester Gascoigne Browne on April 22, at Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel, by her father, the Rev. Benjamin Janney Rudderow, vicar of the Chapel.

The Custodian of the Church House, Mr. Edward Wilkins and Mrs. Wilkins celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on June 7, when members of their family tendered them a reception and dinner.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew Chapter of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, makes a monthly offering toward the $25,000 being provided by the national Brotherhood for missionary work in China in support of Bishop Huang.

On April 21 a daughter, Carol Lynn, was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Robert H. Stetler, of St. Alban's Rectory, Roxborough. She was baptised by Bishop Remington on June 18.

Following the resignation of the Rev. William L. Ziadie as Vicar of St. Titus Church, Elmwood, Bishop Hart appointed Mr. Andrew T. Patterson, of St. James' Church, Kingsessing to conduct services as lay reader, pending the appointment of a new vicar.

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